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5. [REDACTED] Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, called to say that Representative O. C. Fisher (D., Texas) wanted any quotes from the North Vietnamese media indicating their reaction to the "end the war" movement in the U.S. Congress. After checking I called Slatinshek back to say it was probably a bit too soon to expect a reaction but we would presumably have something by Monday.

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6. [REDACTED] Talked to Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, about the Director's appearance before the Committee at 2:30 p.m. Monday, 8 January. He said he thought an hour's prepared presentation would be ample, covering major military developments in the USSR and China, and the current situation in the Middle East and Indochina.

Braswell said he expected the Committee to conduct its confirmation hearing on Mr. Schlesinger Tuesday or Wednesday in open session, and he should be prepared for questions regarding the organization of the intelligence community, efficiency and economy, his instructions from higher authority in assuming his new duties, his ideas of his responsibility to the Congress, his opinions on the disclosure of information to the Congress, the pros and cons of a joint oversight committee, etc.

In the evening Braswell called again to say that Chairman Stennis had found a number of Republican members of the Committee had other commitments for the afternoon and wondered if we could move it up to Monday morning. After checking with the Director, I called Braswell back to say that the Director could appear at 10:30 a.m. I suggested that the Chairman insist that the Director be permitted to finish his prepared statement before opening the hearing to questions, to which Braswell agreed.

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7. [REDACTED] Called Representative Lucien Nedzi (D., Mich.) in further response to his question of yesterday to say that the former Air America pilot in whom he was interested had caused some problems for us and been allowed to resign in lieu of termination. I told Nedzi I saw no reason why he couldn't say he had looked into the matter and found that the individual in question had been involved in difficulties, so long as this information was in no way attributed to the Agency or Air America.